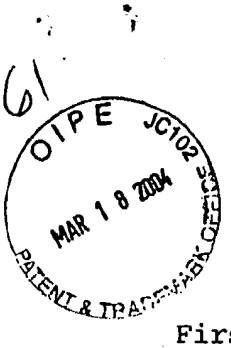
61




Corres. and Mail

BOX AF

AF/3722

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**
**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**
**EXAMINING GROUP 3732**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| First Named Inventor | : Klaus Draenert | |
| Appln. No. | : 09/919,179 | |
| Filed | : July 30, 2001 | Group Art Unit: 3722 |
| For | : MODULAR REVISION PROSTHESIS | Examiner: Eduardo C. Robert |
| Docket No. | : D06.12-0007 | |

## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PAPER IS BEING SENT BY U.S. MAIL, FIRST CLASS, TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, P.O. BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450, THIS

15 DAY OF MARCH 2004.

PATENT ATTORNEY

**Mail Stop AF**
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the final rejection dated December 23, 2003. Entry of the Amendment under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.116, is respectfully requested. Reconsideration, and allowance is also respectfully requested.

RECEIVED
MAR 22 2004
TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

Amendment 3/18/04